

13 March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

**National Education Union - strike action for teachers
Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023**

As you are already aware, the National Education Union (NEU) has confirmed their strike days. We can confirm that the strike days will go ahead on **Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023**.

The academy will be partially closed and will only be open to students in Year 11. In addition to this, vulnerable students in all year groups can attend. This group were contacted in advance of the previous strike days and are already aware if they are part of this group. The timings of the school day for students remains the same (8.15am to 2.30pm). I will now outline the plans for students in all year groups and for vulnerable students.

Provision for Year 11 students in school

Year 11 will attend lessons as normal on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023.

In school provision for vulnerable students across all year groups

All vulnerable students will be based in the PLC, completing online work set on Google classroom.

Students in Year 7, 8, 9, 10 - academy is closed to these year groups

The academy will be closed to students in these year groups unless they are vulnerable and therefore able to attend school if you wish them to. Student absence from school on this day will not be reflected in their attendance data. Students in Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 can work at home on Google Classroom. They can complete homework, Sparx maths, Hegarty maths or subject specific activities that have been set.

Catering arrangements on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023

The school canteen will be open at break and lunch time with a range of food available as normal for students in Year 11 and vulnerable students who are in attendance at school. The canteen will be supervised by staff. If your child is in Year 7, Year 8, Year 9 or Year 10 and is eligible for a free school meal you can request one by completing and submitting the Google Form that will be sent out to you later on today. Packed lunches will be available for collection from reception.

School will be open as normal from Friday 17 March 2023.

In order to ensure that we can communicate any further changes to these plans at short notice; which may include on the day itself, we are asking parents/carers to ensure that we hold up to date emergency contact details. If you do need to make any changes to these, please send to our dedicated email address for this purpose enquiries@ormesby.outwood.com. We will always endeavour to minimise disruption as much as possible and to keep you fully informed.

Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding at this time.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Trattles', with a large, sweeping flourish above the name.

Mrs G Trattles
Associate Executive Principal